

## NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Charleston Naval Base – Parcel 1B-1 North Charleston, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract Amendment through July 3, 2018.

The Second Amendment to Voluntary Cleanup Contract 14-5044-NRP (Amendment), will affect approximately 31 acres located on the former Charleston Naval Complex, North Charleston, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Charleston County Tax Map Serial Numbers 400-00-047 (approx. 7.3 acres), 400-00-072 (approx. 1.35 acres) and 400-00-00-109 (approx. 22.72 acres). The City of North Charleston (City) wants to acquire the property and intends to develop the property as part of the City's master development plan and will primarily be redeveloped for commercial / retail use.

The property is located on the former Charleston Naval Complex. The past use of the property may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

This Amendment will be between DHEC and the City. DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. DHEC will not hold the City responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract Amendment. Under the proposed Amendment, the City will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, the City will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. The City did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under State law, the City will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this Amendment.

The proposed Amendment is available at <a href="http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/">http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/</a>. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed Amendment through July 3, 2018. Questions or comments may be directed to Jerry Stamps, Project Manager, by e-mail at stampsjm@dhec.sc.gov telephone (803) 898-0927, or Alex Fulmer at TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Jerry Stamps at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.